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EDITORIAL

As we draw closer to the State Elections on November 2, we will all hear, over and over, how it is our responsibility to exercise the prilege to vote.

It is perhaps a sad commentary that we have to be encouraged to use our collective voices. If we stopped to realize how few countries in the world allow their citizens to have free voice in electing officials, perhaps we would cherish this privilege a bit more.

Our right to vote is our right to expression; our right to make important statements as lesbian/gay people. It is our way to say NO to people in power who will not listen; who will allow no space for individuality, and just as important, to say YES to people who will work to make our government an open forum for the expression of ideas.

If you join the ranks of the apathetic and choose not to vote on November 2nd, you have given up your voice, and those without voices have no way to complain . . . VOTE ON NOVEMBER 2ND!

Jimm Dobbins

- Timm Dobbins, Managing Editor

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LETTER

TO THE

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EDITOR:

Regarding the recent Women Take Back the Night march and rally held at the State Capitol: by excluding all men, the militant feminists and organizers of the event have managed to offend, insult and turn off a good many men in the gay community who have been their most ardent and energetic supporters.

To the most vocal and outspoken of the leaders of this march and rally, I'd like to quote the very simple, short wording of the Equal Rights Amendment:

"Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Now, would you please show me where this statement refers to women only, or any class or division of women?

Promoting discrimination in any form, allowing stereotypes to exist, even voicing cliches, is contemptible, whether it be by men's groups, women's groups, or heterosexual homophobes.

If we're going to have a march, rally parade, gathering, we'd better get it all together, and all march and rally together, or we certainly will all be back marching separately.

- Very Proud Gay Male

EDITOR:

Your discussion with Frank Holt of the Broadway Ltd. regarding Helvetia Park is well taken. Hopefully, just an additional comment will further clarify the matter.

We are sure that neither the Wreck Room Family nor the Rambler had any intentin of pointing fingers at Frank, Broadway Limited, or his friends. References to a "bad reputation" of Helvetia Park were definitely not intended as a slur against Frank, the Broadway Limited, or his friends, but rather against the proprietor of Helvetia Park.

The park itself could be so much more a pleasant place to be if only more work, care, thought, and attention were directed toward making it so.

Thanks, Frank, for your support, your friendship, and for being you.

-Jim Gawronski for The Wreck Room Family EDITOR:

Thank you for running Dr. Elizabeth Harrison's article on violence against gay men. The article was timely as it pointed out that gay bashings and sexual assaults tend to occur on gay turf. The gay area of town has recently been brought into the spotlight by both major newspapers and the Suttertown News.

As gays are outside of society's mainstream we are prime targets for assault. Out attackers cannot justify their assaults, except that we are different.

The large amount of space your magazine dedicated to the subject should help gay men understand the need to take precautionary measures, such as traveling in groups and responding to distress calls from our brothers.

I trust that the Rambler will publish similar articles in the future.

-- Tim Warford

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EDITOR:

Re: The letter from Mr. Tim Dobbins.

I am very surprised by this letter. The general tone of this item indicated to me either ignorance or lack of concern in several areas.

A. California, despite our fondest wishes and the sometimes apparent laxity in enforcement, does have specific laws concerning public decency and/or drug usage. An arrest for violating those laws can be expensive, embarrassing and ery, very, inconvenient.

B. Apprehension for that violation not only endangers the individual concerned, but the owners, employees, and patrons of the business. Flagrant violation arrests could lead to closure of the establishment, causing severe financial loss to the owners and loss of jobs for the employees. In addition, a great fun bar many many [sic] customers enjoy patronizing would be denied because of the uninhibited actions of one individual!

C. A bar check by law-enforcement personnel is very common, and *all* bars, gay and straight, are subject to these visits. Additionally, these checks do not always involve uniformed personnel. "Election year syndrome" does not particularly affect these routine visits.

When an individual who is an organizer and leader in the gay community shows this ignorance, or lack of concern for his brothers and sisters, it's time those brothers and sisters stepped back and took a good look at that individual.

- Ron Strouse

EDITOR:

Recently there were articles in both straight and gay Sacramento publications concerning activities at the Wreck Room. To correct any misconceptions that may have resulted from these articles, the Wreck Room Family would like to restate the Wreck Room policy that has existed since it first opened.

Now going into its third year of operation, the Wreck Room has always attempted to provide a safe, congenial, party atmosphere for the Sacramento gay community; safe from all forms of outside intrusion. Therefore, the Wreck Room Family has always discouraged illegal activities (for the safety and protection of the customers, as well as that of the Wreck Room), which, if allowed, would invariably involve intrusion from outside sources, including the Sacramento Police Department and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (and rightfully so). The safe atmosphere which the staff, management, and concerned patrons have worked toward over the last two years would be jeopardized. We feel sure this is not what the community would like to see happen.

The Wreck Room Family encourages the community to come to the Wreck Room: meet old and new friends, remembering that there are laws by which we must all abide. The Wreck Room will continue to diligently work toward making the bar *your* bar with a relaxed, safe atmosphere.

Incidentally, the Wreck Room has successfully developed, for the sake of the entire gay community, a good rapport with the Sacramento Police Department. They have been extremely efficient, professional, and cooperative on the few occasions the Wreck Room has called on them. Would you prefer it any other way?

- Jim Gawronski for The Wreck Room Family

EDITOR:

I became so indignant reading Timm Dobbin's letter in your last issue accusing the Wreck Room of "Gestapo" tactics against its customers by the owners and staff, that prompted me to write this letter in anger.

I would like to ask Timm the following questions: Why try to get "action" in the patio of the Wreck Room, when there are establishments in town that perhaps could suit you better? i.e., the bath houses.

What is wrong with the staff of the Wreck Room checking to prevent this type of "action" from happening, since the police has [sic] made several visits to the establishment? I was present on two recent occaions [sic].

Why should the Wreck Room risk its business license because of the indescretion of the very, very few?

Why should the Sacramento community, again because of a few, loose [sic] a business that has brought us Summerfest, the Cable Car award from San Francisco's parade, enhanced softball in our community, and countless other projects that have been performed by the Wreck Room owners and staff for the betterment and pride of our community?

Also, in case you forgot, this is an election year. And the City Chief of Police is hired not elected. You got him confused with the Sheriff.

And last but definitely not least, since you are the Rambler's Managing Editor, I personally resnt that your letter could be misconstrued as probable editorial policy. I sincerely believe you owe the Wreck Room owners, staff, and the community of Sacramento an apology.

Sincerely yours,

— Rafael Q. Benitez Former Editor, River City Rambler Magazine



FROM THE CHAIR

By Mike

To all my friends, I know it has been a long time since the last time I wrote a column. I would like to thank all the people for their support in my run for Mr. Gay Cowboy even though I lost to someone who felt they needed the can (with the money in it) more than I, which has made me look bad in a few people's

It's brought me to my pen so that I can at least put in writing what happened to me that night. I was in the bar and had to go to the store for something before I went home. As I was coming back from the store, someone came up behind me and told me not to look at him, that he had a knife, and that what he wanted was my can. After I gave him my can he took off. I hope you, my readers, understand. No one has called *me* a thief, but someone has been talking that way. All I can say is, I'm sorry it happened.

Now, on to a lighter note. As a lot of you have noticed, I have spent a lot of time "on my feet." This is for a number of reasons, one being because I have gotten a lot of support from my friends. So now, when you see me out, I will be on my feet. I still want to call my writings "From The Chair" though, and I will try to write more often.

Something I would like to touch upon is an area of gay life that I don't understand or have a hard time believing. What I'm talking about is how promiscuous we are. Let me get to the point. I go to the bars like all the rest of you. I watch, and see what I call "Musical Bodies." I like to trick like most people. However, to see the same people over a week's period of time out with someone new every night, to me, that's different.

I know for me that I want to meet someone I can spend some time with, not always for sex, but to get to know. I feel that's a way of making a good, sound friendship. I'm sure that I'm not the only one who feels this way. I have some understanding of what the mind goes through, which is not to say I know it all — I don't. But from my standpoint, it looks like promiscuity, which brings up another point.

A lot of people who spend a short time with lots of people have a tendency to feel that it's going to be more than one night, so a group of people who are out just for a good time, find, for the most part, people who want more than just one night. They're sometimes looking so hard, when someone offers them one night's love, they go for it, hoping it will be more. Unfortunately, a great number of us (I'm one of those looking) end up with what you might call a "sore heart."

I have been lucky. I guess Mother Experience has taught me. It's too bad so many of us have to learn the hard way. I hope some of what I've said has some meaning for you. It has been on my mind for a long time, but when you're playing the game, it's difficult to step back and look at what's going on around you.

I'm a person of few words, so when I go to my pen, it's time to let out what I feel. So thank you, once again.



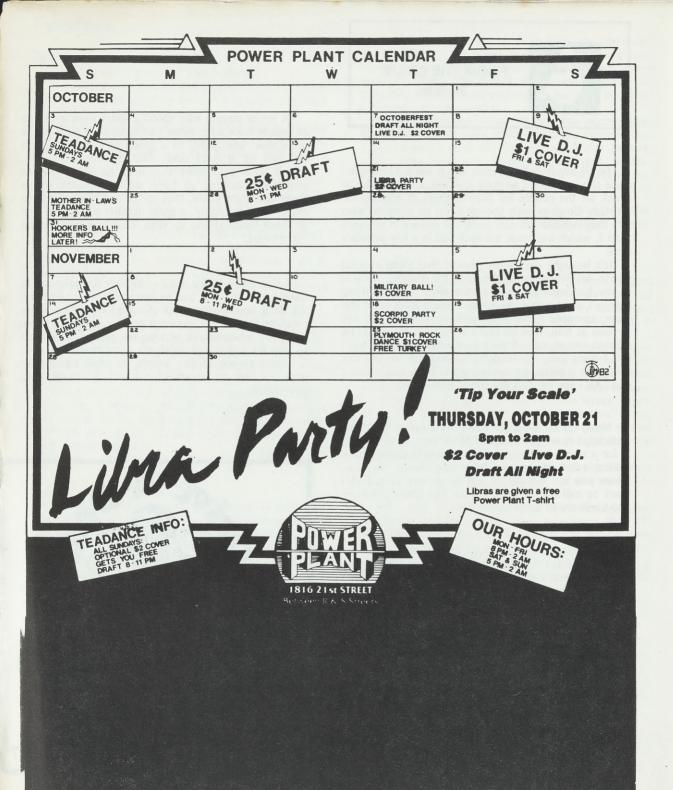
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NELLIE

Some of the most prolific sayings and their origins have been researched by Nellie for your information.

There was a Sea Scout camp near a beach where the porpoises were so friendly they swam into shore at dinner time. The chef used to announce dinner by yelling: "Dinner, for all in tents . . . and porpoises."

Two weevils started life together. One was an immediate success, the other a complete failure. Naturally, it became known as the lesser of two weevils.

An Oriental named Chan sold teak carvings. He noticed they were being pilfered and spotted small tracks, like those of a barefoot boy, outside of his shop. He concealed himself one night and observed a bear, with extremely small feet, enter the shop and steal two of the teak carvings. Chan was enraged and stood up and shouted: "Where you go, boy-foot bear with teaks of Chan!"

The Maharaja of an interior Indian province decreed that no wild animals could be killed. Soon the country was overrun by man eating tigers, lions, panthers and boars. The people could stand it no longer and gave the Maharaja the "heave-ho." This was the first instance on record where the reign was cancelled on account of the game.

A zoo acquired a Gnu and placed it in a section that was not quite completed. About two-thirds of the cage had been tiled, and the remainder of the tile was stacked in the corner. Next morning the zoo-keeper was astonished to find that the rest of the tile had been laid, apparently by the new Gnu. The keeper was anxious to find out if the Gnu had actually laid the tile, so he placed the animal in another cage with a stack of tile. The Gnu laid the tile perfectly in a matter of minutes. The zookeeper called a press conference to tell of this astonishing Gnu feat. When a reporter asked him how he could describe the animal, the keeper thought for a monient, then said: "He's a typical Gnu and Tiler too!"

BUTCH

A good vocabulary can be an invaluable asset, and being aware of this fact, Butch has selected some words to further your reservoir of knowledge.

Adage - to become older; affix - big trouble; allegro - one leg becoming longer than the other; avowal - a, e. i, o, u, and sometimes v: bassinet what every fisherman wants; brotherhood - your brother the crook; buckboard - the price of lumber before inflation; cadence — a less-than-bright girl named Kay; carpet — a dog or cat who enjoys riding in an automobile; condescend - to escape from prison by lowering oneself over the wall with a rope; deduce - de lowest card in de deck; dogma - a mother dog; eureka - a euphemism for "you smell bad"; geometry - what the acorn said after it grew up; hari-kari - transporting a wig from one place to another; hunger - what the posse did to the lady rustler; intense - where campers sleep; ketchup what the last runner in a race wants to do: locate nickname for a short girl named Katherine; macaw what a Bostonian has trouble starting on a cold morning; nitrate - cheapest rate for calling long distance; notator - no gravy either; paralyze - two untruths; protein - in favor of teenagers; rapscallion - a doorknocker shaped like an onion; rattan - what a rat gets while vacationing in Florida; tenure - the number following ninure; unabated - a fishhook without a warm; uproar - the noise that a flying lion would make if lions could fly; vanguard - a person who protects trucks; warehouse - what you say when you're lost; whereto - the number following whereone: wholesale - where a gopher goes to buy a new home; windjammer - a person who spreads jelly on bread during a hurricane.

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GAY VOTE '82

IF YOU LIKE OPPRESSION DON'T READ THIS ARTICLE

By Ellen McCord

How many Gay Freedom Days have you spent listening to speakers tell you how oppressed you are? I am sick and tired of being told how oppressed I am.

I don't feel oppressed; do you?

Our condition as gays or lesbians in the eyes of the legal system is not quite at par with the legal conditions for non-gay people. We can't get married to each other and our kids from former (reproductive) relationships are sometimes taken away from us. We are allowed to have consenting sex in private, but the law doesn't allow us to ask for it. Those of you who are registered sex offenders for having asked a seductive vice-squad officer for a toss in the hay know what I am talking about. But, even though the law does not recognize us as full members of society and totally disregards the families we form I still have the right to write this article and because I choose to exercise that right, I do not feel oppressed.

About three years ago, I got personally involved in a project in which I acted as a consultant and later was a staff member for the Governor's Office in establishing the Commission on Personal Privacy. With no more than two years of college and a humdrum civil service job behind me, I felt I had something to contribute to the effort, so I joined the

project.

In these three years since, I have learned more about our political system than I had ever learned through school day theories which used to bore me to tears. Believe me, how it operates is not the least bit boring; contributions, trade-offs, backroom negotiations, decisions made quietly and somehow the "majority" actually gets what it wants.

But that is not what this article is about, except to say that some of those quiet decisions impact our

lives as gay people the most.

You've probably figured out that I am going to mention something about voting. As gays and lesbians, we have become open and visible enough to know where politicians stand with us. With people such as Senator John Doolittle saying that we don't belong in state government, I am not oppressed, knowing that I can vote against him. Leroy Greene has my vote because I can't stand his opponent, but he has my vote, nonetheless.

I am also glad I can vote to help Jerry Brown. He has taken many risks, appointing gay and lesbian judges, a gay member to the U. C. Board of Regents and numerous gay and lesbian professional people to government boards and commissions. This is very important since these people make decisions which truly do affect the quality of our lives.

Not being oppressed is knowing that the decision makers are not only thinking of us, they are us. My vote for Jerry Brown is to thank him for that.

The point of all this is, if you have no other reason to vote, at least vote because you're Gay. If you don't vote, I'll bet you're one of those folks who feels oppressed. In that case, you shouldn't have read this anyway.

ROBBIE WATERS FOR SHERIFF

The larger committee directing the campaign in Sacramento's gay community to elect Sacramento City Police Lt. Robbie Waters as Sheriff of Sacramento County has designated a fie member steering group to coordinate efforts and fundraising activities.

Two dates have been selected at a meeting held August 15 to choose the best methods of raising a sizeable contribution from the gay community. The first date is the 18th of September, the third Saturday of the month, when all bars catering to the gay community will collect a dollar per customer for the fund drive; the second date will be October 16th, the third Saturday of that month, when the drive will be repeated. A special presentation is planned to turn over the funds to the candidate.

A highly enthusiastic response has been received from all parts of the gay community to the fundraising plans and it is hoped that a good turnout and a generous contribution may be realized. The November run-off election is one of the most important local contests to be decided. All gay voters should make themselves aware of the stands taken by the two candidates, and their statements.

It is hoped that Lt. Waters will make further appearances at Sacramento's gay watering holes and recreational establishments to meet members of the

gay community.

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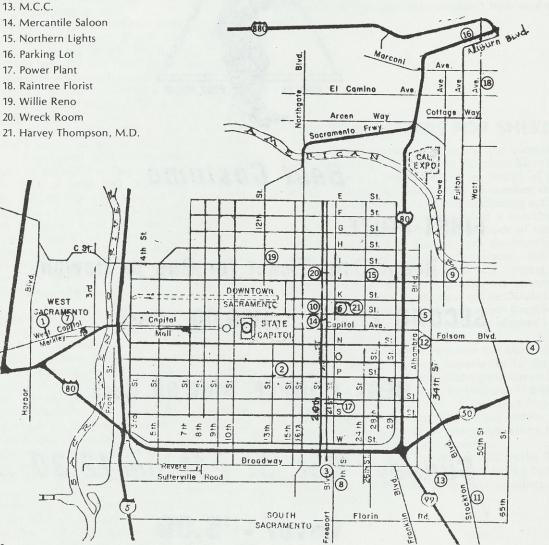
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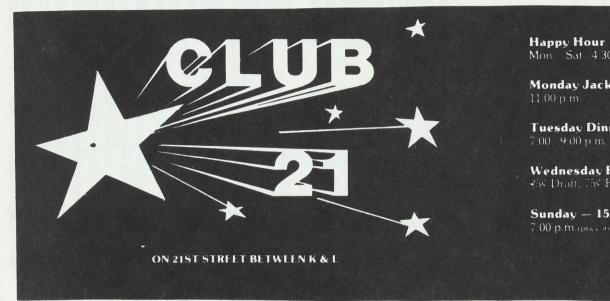
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We are grateful for your commitment to MDA and to the thousands we serve. As announced on the Telethon, research in finding the cause and ultimate cure of Duchenne Dystrophy, the "killer of young boys," is progressing so rapidly that the breakthrough may be only months away, you can be proud that you will be a part of that wonderful day.

Our warmest thanks for the magnificent job you've done. Please stay with us and support us until the job is done — we're so close.

With love.

- M DA Staff and Chapter Members

MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS REQUEST INFORMATION

The Sacramento Lesbian & Gay Mental Health Professionals are interested in exploring whether or not the organization "Sacramento Big Brothers and Big Sisters" has discriminated against gays or lesbians in handling applications to be a big brother or big sister. If anyone has any experience with this organization, whether positive or negative, please contact Phyllis Kaufman at 966-5116. Your response will be held confidential, but if prejudice or discrimination exists, the Sacramento Lesbian & Gay Mental Health Professionals want to correct this at once, and they do need data in order to begin.

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GAY GAMES

By Jim Dunham

Much has been written about the Gay Games, their historical significance being unprecedented. The impact has been far-reaching, the memory eternal. Gays everywhere will benefit by the Games as they were a display of excellence and professionalism and represented a demonstration of individual and community accomplishment. Perhaps the single monumental legacy resulting from this event was the world-wide exposure. The silence of skeptics only reinforces the success of the Games. The die has been cast, the Games' perpetuation has been assured.

Sacram ento's gay community owe an accolade to the sponsors whose support was phenomenal. The River City athletes were extremely impressive in their uniforms supplied by Dale and Emerson of the Club Bath chain. Other businesses and individual contributors were Raintree Florists, Diamond Butterfly, Crazy Razor, Fiasco Restaurant, Dr. E. Harrison, Dr. S. Pomerantz, Dr. H. Thompson, Dale Dorothy, Phyllis Kaufman, Susan K and others who requested anonymity. And of course to our overall organizer and administrator, Norm Frohwein, Sacramento is eternally grateful.

BOWLING

By Rich Wilkes

Well, it's that time of the year again when you reach into the closet and dust off the old bowling ball. There is a new league just started at Land Park Bowl on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. It's a 20-week league with 14 teams. I am not sure all of the teams are full so if you are interested in getting on a team or being a sub, come on down on Sunday nights.

Additional information on the 10 week winter league at 12 noon on Sundays will appear in the next issue. It will start some time after the first of the year

and will be at Land Park.

FOOTBALL QUIZ

For all you you football fans and people who like puzzles, here is a little quiz for you. Just to get you started, the answer to Number 2 is 49ers. Now see how many you can get:

There are 28 Pro Football Teams. 27 are listed — who is missing?

1. Arm y Insect	
2. Seven Squared	
3. Streakers are this	••••
4. A 747	
5. Hostile Attackers	• • • • •
6. Various iron workers	
7. Sun Tan bodies	••••
8. I.O.U's	••••
9. Helpers to relocate	••••
10. Toy Baby with arms	• • • • •
11. Trained to kill	••••
12. Lubricators	••••
13. Six Rulers	••••
14. Opposite of Ewe	
13. Class of Boy Scouts	
16. American Gauchos	
17. Fundamental Rule	
18. Credit card users	
19. Indian Leaders	
20. King of Beasts	
21. Used to be a girl	
22. A dollar for corn	
23. Ocean going birds	
24. Hot epidermis	
25. Louis Armstrong song	
26. Six Shooters	
27. Rodeo horses	

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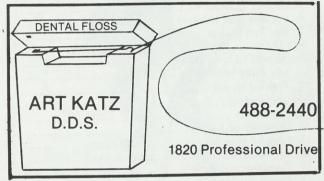
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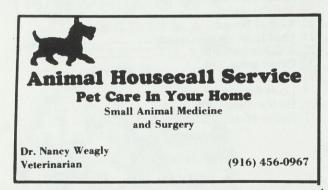
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BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

Rafael Q. Benitez

HARDBACKS

The Beauty Queen. By Patricia Nell Warren, Willow Morrow and Company, Inc., New York 1978.

Rating: +2. From the author that brought us such wonderful novels as *The Front Runner* and *Fancy Dancer*. This book was somewhat disappointing.

Dancer from the Dance. By Andrew Holleran, William Morrow and Company, Inc. New York 1978.

Rating: 4. Charles L. Ortleb in *Christopher Street* referred to it as "... will be the most talked about gay novel of the year." Excellent reading.

The Boy Who Picked the Bullets Up. By Charles Nelson, William Morrow and Company, Inc., New York 1981.

Rating: +5. This is Charles Nelson's first novel, and if his creative juices force him to write anything else like this book, we will have an author that will continue to inspire, entertain, and make our lives a little richer through his wonderful writing. An intimate story of a gay Marine in Vietnam. Truly a Must for your personal library, or a gift to either a best friend or lover.

C. P. Cavafy - Collected Poems. Translated by Edmund Keely and Philip Sherrard. Edited by George Savidis. Princeton University Press, Princeton, New Jersey. Sixth Priting, with corrections, 1980.

Rating: +5. Do you appreciate excellent poetry? Are you in love? Do you have a good friend or a special one that you wish to give a gift to? Well, this is it. Probably one of the most important poets of mature poetry in this century. Will make you cry, laugh, and most important — will allow you to visualize through words what love can be.

The David Kopay Story. By David Kopay, with Perry Deane Young. Arbor House, New York, 1977.

Rating: 2. An ex-jock's true confessions.

A Thirsty Evil – Seven Short Stories. By Gore Vidal.
 Gay Sunshine Press, San Francisco, 1956 and 1981.
 Rating: 4. Vidal at his boldest, freshest for that period of time. Refreshing, and raunch reading.

Next time we will look at some excellent, and not so excellent paperbacks. If you have knowledge of any little known treasure in literature, please let me know. \$2.00 Cover Free Bottle of Poppers per couple Free Draft 'til 11:30 p.m.

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SELF DEFENSE CLASSES OFFERED

The River City Business Association and the Sacramento Chapter of NOW are sponsoring a self defense class scheduled for Saturday, the 23rd of October, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The class will be held at the parking lot of Archer Furniture, 6105 Stockton Boulevard. The training session tuition is \$15 and includes the class and registration. The chemical spray C-N will be available for sale after class members are certified. In order to carry this self defense weapon (C-N spray) you must be licensed.

Bodily attacks on unsuspecting victims are no longer a rare occurrence. Ilka Archer, president of RCBA, urges members of the gay community to take this class and stresses: "Don't be a battered victim of rape, murder or mugging: protect yourself legally."

This is the second self defense class sponsored by

the two local organizations.

A five dollar non-refundable deposit must be paid in advance for the training. Checks must be made out to River City Business Association. Information and details may be obtained by calling 424-5085 during business hours.

GNIE ACTIVITIES

On Tuesday, November 2nd, GNIE Court Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Incredible Edible. Candidacy requirements for Emperor/Empress 1983 will be announced and discussed. Anyone who has an interest in running for either office should be in attendance at this meeting. Six month active membership in GNIE is a requirement for eligibility.

CLOSET BALL '82 will be held on Saturday, October 30, 982. This year's ball will feature Empress V de Reno, the FABULOUS JACK-E as your emcee. The doors will open at 7 p.m. with show time at 7:30. Once again the event will be held at the Riverbend Country Club, 500 Douglas Street, in Broderick. There is a \$6 donation at the door with no-host cocktails. Your hosts for the evening are Emperor IX Doug and Empress IX B illy. Applications for entry are available in the local watering holes. All contestants will be judged on a numerical point system by a panel of 12 judges, all non-residents of the greater Sacramento area. A \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the overall highest point winner, and a \$50 cash prize will be awarded to the next highest point winner in the male to female category and in the female-to male catetory.

SOCIAL CLUB FOR MEN INVITES MEN TO JOIN

Man Two Man is a social club designed to provide men, who want to form same-gender relationships, with an additional way to meet and socialize. The club is operated by Patlar Enterprises on a non-profit basis.

Members of the club believe that the development of meaningful friendships is enhanced by sharing life experiences. In the recent past, the members and their guests have shared various activities such as gold panning on the American River, glider flying, dinner trips to San Francisco, and potluck dinners.

Guests are encouraged to participate in club functions. There is no charge for guests to attend; however, a donation is requested. Membership information is available upon request.

The current calendar of planned events is shown

below:

OCTOBER

20 - Wed. Social: Potluck Dinner

25 - Mon. Movies at Home (bring Munchies)

27 - Wed. Social: Discussion - What Should We Know About You?

NOVEMBER

3 - Wed. Social: Guest Speaker

10 - Wed. Social: Discussion - How Do You Spend Your Time?

17 - Wed. Social: Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner.

21 - Sun. Special Event. Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner at Calaveras Big Trees.

22 - Mon. Movies at Home (Bring Munchies)

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RIVER CITY NIGHTS

by Frank Cummings

Hi Y'all! This month I had the pleasure of attending two of the most fun, entertaining events I

have seen since coming to this city.

On September 16, the CLUB 21 held their one year anniversary party. \$15.00 was the ticket price, which was very reasonable, considering it included free drinks, food and entertainment. When I walked into the club at 10:00, I felt I had stepped into the middle of Hollywood. The feeling I got was achieved by the total look of the club. There were festive tinsel streamers everywhere, two stages with stage lighting, closed circuit TV, and at least four TVs in the main bar room, so that from any point, everyone could see the entertainment (they were also showing a tape of the Reno Rodeo).

Entertainment was provided by the Whalin' Black Band, Duff Johnson (magician and comedian), and our two local strippers. The Whalin' Black Band played the gamut (oldies, rock, country and disco) from Ray Charles to the Pointer Sisters. They were superb, supplying the music for those who wanted to

dance.



(Photo courtesy of Mom Guess What!)

Duff Johnson's comedy was perfection. I thought Modette, who was sitting on the floor in front of the stage, was going to roll over when he did his comedy sketch using abbreviations. His magic show, however, didn't work that well on the small stage. It wasn't that the magic was bad, but it would have worked better on a larger stage, where the audience wasn't so close.

Our local strippers, Jay and Jeff, did their regular "over-exposed" acts; possibly only over-exposed for those of us who have seen them so often.

I don't know how financially successful the party was, but those who did show up seemed to have a grand time. Rating for the Party— THREE & HALF STARS.

On September 26th, I saw the most superbone-person show I have seen since leaving the East Coast; the MR. BOBBIE CALLICOATTE SHOW at Bojangles. At the very low price of \$3.00, Mr. Callicoatte did two completely different shows, taking a thirty minute break in between.



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IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

Make no mistake— this was not a drag show, this was a very professional, extraordinary female impersonation show. Bobbie impersonated some of the biggest female entertainers of today and yesteryear, with a few interpretations of other female impersonators thrown in. Be assured, Mr. C. is a professional who has studied under some of the most reputable female impersonators around and has been working at his craft for a number of years.



Now, I would like to list some of the stars Bobbie included in his show, to give you an idea of the depth of the entertainer's show: DIANA ROSS, ANITA BRYANT— he gave out oranges during this number (ha-ha!), CHARLES PIERCE— this comedy sketch was super; this sort of pantomime is not easy; LIZA—with lots of energy. GERALDINE, GLADYS KNIGHT— for a mime, Ms. Knight's phrasing is very difficult, but Bobbie made it seem very easy. PEARL BAILEY'S "Dolly," THERESA TWO-FACE, EARTHA KITT— the fish-net dress with its feather collar was enough to die for, CAROL CHANNING—Bobbie receives a 10 for dance from me, and VICKIE CARR, just to name a few.

Bobbie also did the song "Land of Make Believe" and ended the show by de-wigging and disrobing to let the audience know that this was all an illusion. As you can see by this brief trip through Bobbie's show, you can tell he has to be talented to pull all this off, and he did much more than that.

Hotter 'n' St. Helens

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For all you upcoming and present-day female impersonators in our community, I was surprised more of you didn't turn out for the show. If not for the quality of the show, you should have come for the learning experience you could have had. For all you other people who didn't come for one reason or another, you should be ashamed of yourself for missing a talent of such magnitude. You will, however, have another chance between Christmas and New Year's when Bobbie will return to BJ's. I hope to see you all at that time.

IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

My hat is off to Terry for bringing us such a talent. Bobbie Callicoatte is the wildest; a most wonderfully talented entertainer and lady. Rating for this show is FOUR STARS PLUS!

I hope y'all had as much fun this month as I did and until next month—Bye, Y'all...

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CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPEROR / EMPRESS

We are roughly seven months away from electing the next Emperor and Empress of Sacramento. There are six month minimum requirements that must be met to be an eligible candidate for either office. Therefore, I would greatly appreciate it if you could publish this in your next issue:

GNIE, the Great Northwest Imperial Empire, Inc., otherwise known as the "Court System," is announcing the candidacy requirements to run for the office

of Emperor/Em press of Sacramento.

GNIE, the Sacramento Court System is a non-profit public benefit corporation not organized for the private gain of any person and is organized under the Public Benefit Corporation Law for charitable

The specific purpose of this corporation is to establish and maintain a philanthropic and charitable organization dedicated to fundraising for charitable activities and to encourage and promote understanding and growth and enhance the welfare of its community.

What does an Emperor or Empress do? What are the duties and responsibilities of this community elected position? The answers are many, so may I

capsulize them for you?

First of all, you must have a commitment to the purpose for existence of the organization as defined above. You must be willing to work hard, to lead, to organize, to follow through, to support, to travel, and last, but not least, to have an enormous amount of fun!

The activities throughout a year of reign are many; from conducting in-town functions in support of your community and local charities to inter-action and support of the same types of functions throughout the State of California with brother and sister court systems as well as out-of-state brother and sister

organizations.

Yes, it is a tremendous amount of hard work and involvement of time, but the rewards are well worth it. The friendships you develop, the comraderie between cities, the feeling of accomplishment when a goal has been reached, and the smile on someone's face because of your efforts! It makes it all worth while.

If you are someone who has the desire, the guts, the time, and a sense of commitment to create a year of accomplishment and certainly one of memories you will not forget, then I suggest you read the following criteria for candidacy:

1. You must show proof of residency within the GNIE territory for six consecutive months prior to candidacy and have been an active member of GNIE (in good standing) for six months prior to attaining office.

2. You must be 21 years of age or older. Proof

may be required.

3. You must be currently employed or show

visible means of support.

4. Your schedule must be flexible enough so that you are able to travel throughout the State of California. You must attend a minimum of six out-of-town Coronations.

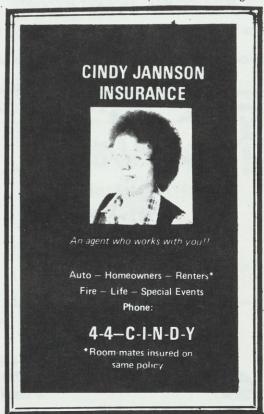
5. If elected, you along with the help of your court, will be required to sponsor and produce eight events for the Sacramento community during your reign. This includes a minimum of two events for

charity.

6. No write-in candidates will be allowed on the ballot.

7. You must have an understanding of the purpose of GNIE and express your commitment to uphold and support the office to the best of your ability.

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- 8. You must attend all court functions during your campaign and be dressed in the proper attire aspirant to the respective titles (Emperor - male), (Empress female), with exception to an inappropriate establishment
- 9. A \$25 non-refundable filing fee must be submitted along with an 8 x 10 inch black and white glossy when your application is submitted, as well as a brief explanation of why you want the office and what you would do if elected.

10. Prior to your acceptance as a candidate for the office of Emperor or Empress, you will appear before a review board to determine that all of the candidacy requirements have been met.

If you are interested, I encourage you to attend the next monthly court meeting scheduled for Tuesday. November 2nd, at 7:30 p.m., which will be held at the Incredible Edible Restaurant.

November 2nd is only six months away from Coronation '83, which will be held April 16th, 1983. To anyone interested, we will dedicate the necessary time at this meeting to answer your questions.

I feel there are many of you out there who could make Sacramento and GNIE proud to have you represent us! - EMPEROR IX DOUG

Reigning Emperor de Sacramento

Here are the answers. How many did you get riaht?

- 1. Giants
- 2. 49'ers
- 3. Bears
- 4. Jets
- 5. Raiders
- 6. Steelers
- 7. Browns
- 8. Bills
- 9. Packers
- 10. Dolphins
- 11. Falcons
- 12. Oilers
- 13. Vikings
- 14. Rams
- 15. Eagles
- 16. Cowbovs
- 17. Cardinals
- 18. Chargers
- 19. Chiefs
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- 24. Redskins
- 25. Saints
- 26. Colts 27. Broncos

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